



# Luna Hills Infrastructure Improvements *Project Update*

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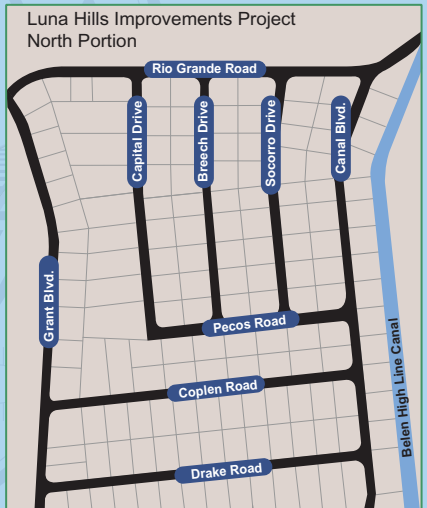
The Village of Los Lunas continues to work extremely hard to ensure that the much-anticipated *Luna Hills Infrastructure Improvements* project proceeds to the construction phase.

As you know from the last update, the Village has been very busy coordinating the preparation of supplemental information required by NMED and EPA. For example, the Village contracted with an environmental firm, who completed the required supplemental Environmental Information Document (EID). The Village also held a public hearing on the EID. All that remains is to obtain the final FONSI (Finding of No Significant Impact) statement from EPA.

The Village is in the process of obtaining the final FONSI. Before the FONSI can be issued, the following must occur:

- New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) must amend the existing FONSI and the Environmental Assessment (EA) and submit these documents to EPA. The Village is currently coordinating with NMED to ensure this occurs in a timely manner.
- EPA must advertise the amended EA for a 30 day comment period.
- Pending comments, the EPA will issue the amended, final FONSI for the project.

Once the FONSI has been issued, the project will be advertised, bids will be opened, and a contract awarded. We anticipate that it will be approximately four to six (4-6) months before the FONSI is issued and EPA allows us to advertise the project for construction bids. From that time, we are estimating approximately two (2) additional months for the bid and award process before we can actually begin moving dirt in the area.



The project area is generally bounded by Grant Boulevard and Crestview Drive to the west, Rio Grande Boulevard to the north, Canal Boulevard to the east, and Village Limits to the south. Proposed improvements to the north area of the project generally include installation of sanitary and storm sewers; reconstruction of the existing pond facilities; paving, curb and gutter; miscellaneous sidewalk improvements; and intermittent streetlights. Improvements for the south area generally include installation of sanitary sewers and required paving improvements, as well as several streetlights.

Funding for the project was obtained from a Congressional Appropriation through EPA, a New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) loan, a State Legislative Appropriation, and local Village matching funds.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Betty Behrend, Public Works Director, Village of Los Lunas, at [behrendb@ci.los-lunas.nm.us](mailto:behrendb@ci.los-lunas.nm.us) or (505) 865-1377.